

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
ELKO FIELD OFFICE

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Date: August 6, 2001 File Code (Project/Serial Number) : _____ CX# : BLM/EK/CX-2001/040

Name of Proposed Action: Neptune Fire (X-155) ESR monitoring for noxious weeds

Applicant: BLM Elko FO Legal Description: T. 32 N., R. 64 E., Sec. 13, 23-26 and T. 32 N., R. 64 E., Sec. 5-8, 18-20

This action is in conformance with the Wells RMP; Issue: The RMP is silent on the proposed action but it is consistent with Plan objectives, terms, conditions, and decisions.

Decision/Prescription (#) _____, page (#) _____.

Description of Proposed Action (attach Location Map): The Elko FO of BLM proposes to monitor the Neptune Fire burn area for native release and potential noxious weed infestation as part of the Elko 14 Fire Complex Burned Area Rehabilitation Plan and Accomplishment Report (BAER Plan).

BAER Plan for maps) (See _____)

Categorical Exclusion Reference 516 DM 2, Appendix 1: 1.6

SCREENING FOR EXCEPTIONS: The following exceptions apply to individual actions within categorical exclusions (516 DM 2, Appendix 2). The preparer and/or indicated specialist must verify that the Proposed Action does not:

	INITIALS
2.1 Have significant adverse effects on public health or safety?	Preparer _____
2.2 Have adverse effects on such unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources, park, recreation or refuge lands, wilderness areas, wild or scenic rivers, sole or principal drinking water aquifers, prime farm lands, wet lands, flood plains, or ecologically significant or critical areas, including those listed on the Department's National Register of National Landmarks?	Preparer _____ Archaeologist _____ Rec/VRM/Wild _____
2.3 Have highly controversial environmental effects	Preparer _____
2.4 Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.	Preparer _____
2.5 Establish a precedent for future actions or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?	Preparer _____
2.6 Be directly related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects?	Preparer _____
2.7 Have adverse effects on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places?	Archaeologist _____
2.8 Have adverse effects on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have adverse effects on designated critical habitat for these species.	Wildlife Biol. _____
2.9 Require compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management), Executive Order 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), or the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act?	Wildlife Biol. _____
2.10 Threaten to violate a Federal, State, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment	Preparer _____

Other reviewers (As determined by the Division/District Manager):

RESOURCE	NAME	COMMENTS	SIGNATURE	DATE
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

RMP conformance and CX review confirmation:

Preparer _____	Date _____	Environmental Coordinator _____	Date _____
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DECISION: Based upon the review of this proposal, I have determined that the above-described project is a categorical exclusion, in conformance with the RMP, and does not require a NEPA analysis. It is my decision to implement the action, as described.

Approved By: _____ Date _____
Authorized Officer*